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This report consists of a map with captions as follows:

1. The 5 Rifle Regiment. The active section of this regiment has been in the area of Deta, Ciacova and Parta since the beginning of 1952.
Commander: Colonel Emilian Novacesu
Adjutant: Major Cornel Ciordaci.
Divided into four battalions of four companies each, one of which is a heavy weapons company. The companies have two platoons of four squads each.
Strength: About 900 men. Rifle companies have four light ZB 38 machine guns and two German 08 heavy machine guns. The heavy weapons companies have four heavy Maxim machine guns and four Russian 82 mm mortars.
Shoulder boards have light green decorations.

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Men belong to the class of 1929 to 1934. Since the fall of 1952 a replacement unit for the regiment has been in the barracks, at Piata Oltului 7. The barracks were built before World War I, and consists of two four-story buildings, 40 by 20 m.

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The commander of the replacement unit is Lt. Col. Ilie Catineanu; the adjutant is Major Toma Chisiu. Strength about 600 men, with 28 Russian instructors. Divided into two battalions of four companies each, one of which is a heavy weapons company. The rifle companies have four light M.28 Degtyarev machine guns and two heavy German M.34 machine guns. The weapons companies have four heavy Maxim M.10 machine guns, and four M.41 mortars. The unit is not motorized. It conducts daily exercises.

2. The 1 Cavalry Regiment, in the Pacii Barracks, Timisoara I, Strada Ardealului 39. An old three-story building, 50 by 20 m.
Commander: Colonel Simeon Raduceanu
Adjutant: Major Traian Garbovan.
Strength: About 700 men. Divided into four squadrons. Has light weapons, including Cugir carbines and machine pistols.
Shoulder boards are decorated in black.

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- 25X1 3. The 38 Gun Regiment, in the Tudor Vladimirescu Barracks, Strada Ardealului 47.
Same type of building as the Pacii Barracks. [REDACTED]
Commander: Colonel Gheorghe Topa
Adjutant: Major Constantin Ghinescu.
Strength: 500 men, 300 horses. Divided into two battalions of three batteries each, each battery having four 155 mm howitzers. Up to February 1953 this regiment was stationed along the border in the area Ghiroc-Timis-oara-Sacalaz. On 3 February 1953 it was relieved by the 2 Gun Regiment from the Ineu Garrison.
- 25X1 4. The 7 Engineer Regiment, in the Huniada Barracks, Piata Huniada 3.
An old fortress-like building, about 60 by 60 m. [REDACTED]
Commander: Lt. Col. Avram Avraescu
Adjutant: Captain Matei Borlovan.
Divided into three battalions of four companies each.
Strength: About 800 men. The regiment is building fortifications along the border; the barracks holds only replacement troops.
Shoulder boards are decorated in white.
5. The 23 AAA Regiment, in the V.I. Lenin Barracks, Timisoara I, Calea Aradului 73.
A new four-story building about 40 by 25 m.
Commander: Colonel Vasile Chiriloiu
Adjutant: Captain Vlad Almasan
Strength: 650 men. Divided into two battalions of four batteries each. Each battery has four 85 mm guns.
6. The 21 Armored Regiment in the I.V. Stalin Barracks, Calea Aradului 75.
A new four-story building about 40 by 25 m.
Commander: Colonel Anastasie Copsila
Adjutant: Major Grigorea Purcea.
Divided into two battalions of four companies each.
Even numbered companies have T-34s of the old model; odd numbered companies each have 10 SU-76 SP guns. [REDACTED]
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- 25X1 7. The 16 Infantry Division, at Piata Libertatii 3.
Commander: Major General Stoica
Soviet Observer Colonel Ivan Sharikov, with 35 Soviet officers.
8. Recruiting center, in the former gendarmerie building, Bulevardul Vishinski 38.
Commander: Nicoola Lemnaru.
9. Regional militia, in the former court house on Strada 7 Martie.
Commander: Colonel Marcu Utvineanu.
10. Military tribunal on Strada Lenau.
Chief: Major Ion Sterian.
11. Munitions depot No. 1, on Calea Sagului. An old building, about 40 by 30 m.
12. Munitions depot No. 2, on Calea Ghirocului.
13. Munitions depot No. 3, on Calea Sacalazului.

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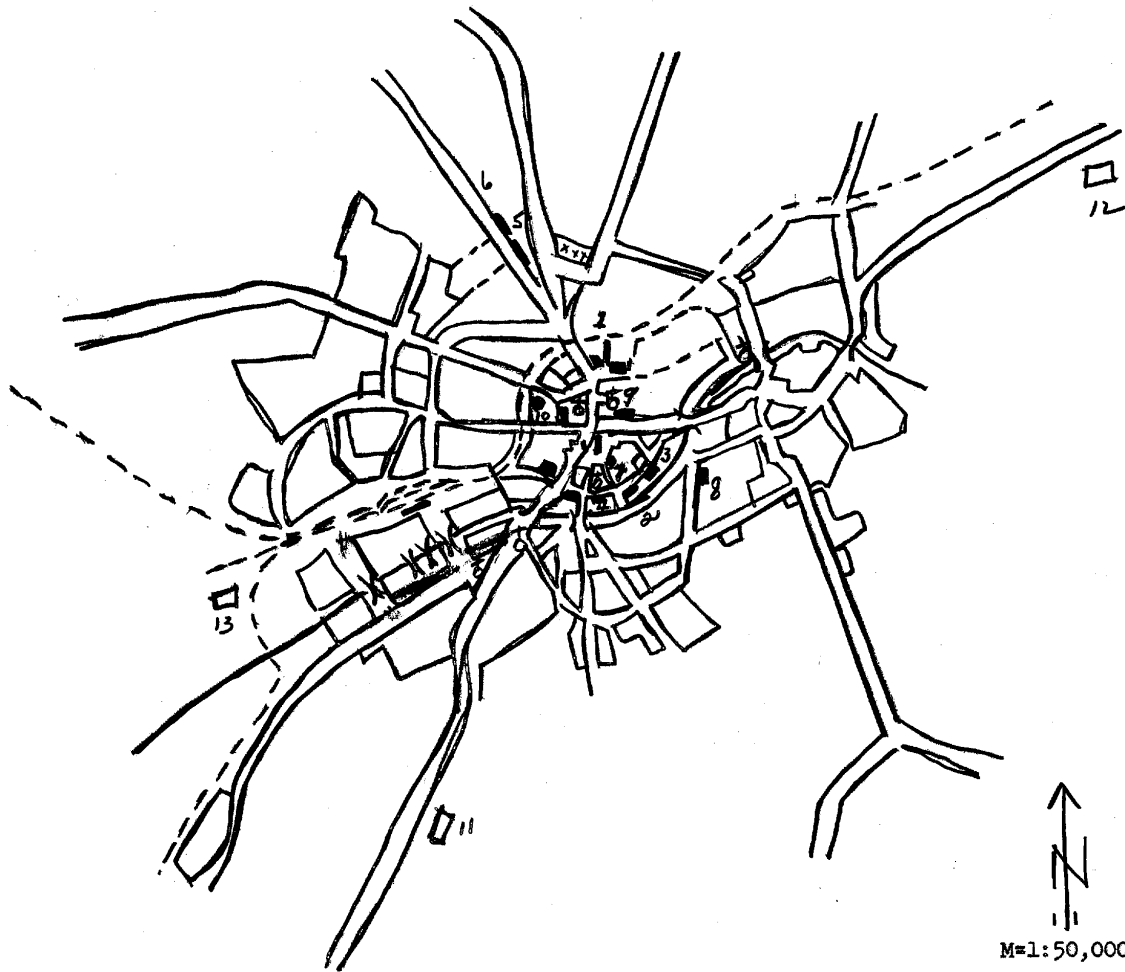
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